



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP ART UNIT 2852**

03500.017673

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Ryan M. Gleitz
Masashige TAMURA)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 10/693,981)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 3977
Filed: October 28, 2003)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS)	November 30, 2005
INCLUDING GRAVITY-OPERATED	:	
OPENING AND CLOSING)	
MEMBER FOR DISCHARGING	:	
EXCESS DEVELOPER)	
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 31, 2005, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application, as follows.

Do not enter 12/8/05 AB